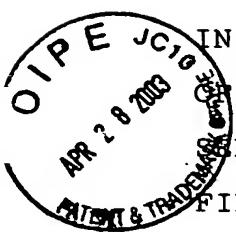


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- 1) Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.56, 1.97 and 1.98 applicant encloses a Form PTO-1449 and copies of the references cited thereon. A copy of a German Search Report issued in a counterpart application on April 3, 2003 is also enclosed.
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6) Applicant respectfully requests that the Examiner consider all references of record, return an initialled copy of the enclosed Form PTO-1449 to the applicants and ensure that all references of record are printed on any patent issuing from this application.

7) Favorable consideration and allowance of claims 1 to 10 are respectfully requested.

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